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Multnomah County Board of Commissioners

501 SE Hawthorne BLVD Portland, OR 97214

Subject: SEC-V Designation To Comprehensive Plan Scheduled at 9:30am on August 25, 2016 in Board Conference Room 100

Dear Commissioners,

We are against the enactment by you of this proposed designation.

The reasons are:

- The configuration of northwest Multnomah County is such that all property views south are in Washington County and this is of no benefit to Multnomah County voters and is not within the jurisdiction of this commission.
- 2. The proposed "View Index" and addition of market value for said increase in our opinion is against current law as the voters of Oregon have enacted limitations to said realty tax increases.
- 3. The proposal is discriminatory and punitive as it applies only to "Scenic View Properties" and, if passed, subjects owners to penalties, which if imposed, could subject property owners to monetary fines and possible jail if violated and is therefore, unconstitutional under Oregon and U.S. constitutions as "Ex Post Facto" among other constitutional violations.
- 4. The proposal is completely illogical but from our experience your commission has done enactments such as:
 - (a) Enactment of water quality standards and inspections of rental properties in rural Multnomah County where at a hearing overlays were presented by your staff of NW Multnomah

County showed no contamination or illnesses by contaminated water in that area. I mentioned this at the hearing at Sauvies Island school with all other property owners present objecting. It passed and then I had to write a letter saying we have never rented a structure on our property.

- (b) The Fred Bender episode where your commission withdrew 6 building permits contiguous to our property and he appealed and spent nearly \$500,000 and your decision was reversed and 6 houses were subsequently built and the county received substantial taxes from same.
- 5. I would suggest this commission should consider instead:
 - (a) Assisting Portland in the "Homeless" matter;
 - (b) Assisting Portland in the union caused problem with terminal 6 in the Port of Portland;
 - (c) In examining the westside rail problems, costs and possible termination.

We have lived in our location since 1975 and have dutifully paid our taxes as have other owners. Our property should not be servient to Washington County residents and we believe this measure is primarily for political reasons. We are deeply disappointed and you should be ashamed for what is proposed.

Respectfully submitted,

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